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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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Loss of Govt money in charge of Forester Narasimhaiah
at Heggaidevan Kote.

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Submits for orders copy of judgment delivered by the
Sess. Court 1st class Magr re- the loss of Rs 100/- entrusted to
Forester Narasimhaiah, states that the said Forester has been
rightly discharged as there was no evidence against him to
show that he misappropriated the amount, that a sum of
Rs. 193-15-5 at the credit of the Forester will be utilized
in part-adjustment of the loss & that there is no chance of the
balance being recovered.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Forest)

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File No. 71

FILE HEADING.

Loss of Government money in charge of
Forester Narasimengar at Hesseddevanthe.

From

The Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

No. 2214

Dated 9.9.05

Received 10.9.05

Diary No. 2622

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Spare Copies. -

Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Submits copy of Mysore District Forest Officer's no. 1978/905
reporting the loss of Rs. 600/- Government money and states
that further report in the matter will be submitted in due course.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Sub^d for information with reference to article
104 of the Mysore Forest Department Code

CSH
14.9.05

The further report may be awaited.

Subd for info

R.

14/9/05

NOTES—First sheet.

Submitted to the Dewan Sahib this the
15.9.1905

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15-9-05
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Seen. Every endeavour will be made to get at the truth of this strange story of disappearance of a large sum of Govt money during transit - C.

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The request for cash refundance new - avail further used 20.18.05

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From the Conservator of Forests No. 969 dated 6th August 1906.

Submits for information & orders copy of report delivered by the Asst. Commr. & 1st class Magistrate re the loss of Rs. 600 entrusted to Forester Narasimhaiah; states that the Forester has been rightly discharged as there was no evidence to against him to show that he misappropriated the amount, that a sum of Rs. 193-15-5 at the credit of the Forester will be utilized in part adjustment of the loss & that there is no chance of the balance being recovered from him.

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Should be supplied to those who have to carry the money. But if the provisions of the first code are strictly followed there will be no occasion to send such a large amount even for the execution of works in progress. Advances are ~~not~~ permitted to Contractors under very rare circumstances and that too on obtaining security from them (Pt 154). Payment for works done is usually made by cheque and so there is no necessity to ~~submit~~ allow any Officer to keep any such large sum of money with him. Under Pt 157 advances to Disturbances are required to be limited to their security amounts and it is a matter for consideration whether for the uncovered balance the Heggadavankote Officer who sent the money in cash and the Range Officer Begur who wanted the money to be sent to him in clear violation of the business

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To the Conservr of Forests, Inspr. Genl.
of Police, Registrar of Chief Court &
Comptroller No. R. 4479-82 of 1-11-06.

Invites the Police Inspector General's
attention to the case which has proved
abortive owing to defective investigation;
brings to the notice of the Chief Court the
long delay of 8 months in the disposal of the
case by Mr. C. Devaraj Iyer; requests the
Conservator to submit with his opinion
the explanations of the Heggaddevankote
officer & the Range Officer of Begur, in regard
to their making good the pre-estimated balance of
the amount of Rs. 1000/- and states that it is
presumed that the Forest has been reinstated
from the date of acquittal.

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From the Conservator of Forests, No. 3301
dated 7th November 1906.

Reports that the disbursements in
the Begur Range amount to about Rs. 1000/-
a month, that funds are usually obtained by
means of cheques for this purpose, that in this
case cash was sent instead of cheques as the
Range Officer required more urgently for
works; that in the Heggaddevankote Sub
division contractors are not available and

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- 5 To the Registrar, Chief Court,
No R 5285 of 23.11.06.
Enquires what action was taken
regarding the delay in the disposal
of the case by the Magistrate.
- 6 To the Conservator of I. & L.
R. 5286 of 23.11.06.
Enquires whether any explanation
has been called for from the Range
Officer, Baguwa, & Sub-Division Officer,
Heggadewankere in regard to their
responsibility.
- 7 To the D. G. of Police
No R 5287 of 23.11.06.
Enquires what action has been
taken regarding the conduct of the
Police in investigating the
case.
- 8 From the Registrar of the Chief Court,
No. 3593 of 8.1.07.
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Forwards the explanation received
from Mr. C. Devanaiswami stating
that it is in the opinion of the

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9 From the Conservator of Forests in Mysore
No. 5423 of 21.1.07.

Forwards the explanation of Mr. H. Srinivas Rao, Asst. Conservator of Forests, in connection with the loss of Rs 600 in question. States that the explanation of the Range Officer, Begur is awaited. Subd.

The Begur Range Officer's explanation may be awaited.

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10. From the Conservator of Forests in Mysore, No. 6443 of 25.2.07.

Forwards the explanation of G. Krishnamurti Naidu, Range officer, Begur in connection with the loss of Rs 600 in question.

The Insp. Genl. of Police has not yet sent a reply. A reply is put up.

Subd.
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11 From the Insp. Genl. of Police, No. 7901 of 8.5.07
Forwards a copy of report from the Insp. of Police, Mysore, with regard to the case against Narayana Cudra; states that the Police had very

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insufficient evidence to go upon beyond cir-
cumstantial evidence in charging the accused
and that the Forester should be called upon
to make good the amount out of his
own pocket as he created opportunity
to make away with the money without just
cause or excuse.

Subd Forester with a draft as
directed in para 9 of this Note
C. D. 157st C

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Draft altered. Clerk in charge will please
bring up a fair draft personally to same
time 4 June 07

Subd with fair draft. 157st C

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Approved - 5 June 07

~~Subd with fair draft~~

Draft subd to the Dewan through
the 2nd C. The investigation
of the case by the Police has
been commenced upon. So the
file is sent to the 2nd C

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may be approved

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OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE,

No. 22/4

Dated Bangalore, 9th September 1905.

Enclosures : 2

From

RAI BAHADUR M. MUTHANNAH, Esq.,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

To

B.K.Venkatavarada Iyengar Esqr.,

~~The~~ Secy. to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,

General and Revenue Departments,

Bangalore.

Sir,

As required by Article 104 of the Forest Code, I have the honour to forward herewith for the information of Government, copy of the Mysore District Forest Officer's docket No.197 dated the 1st instant and of the Meggeddevankote Forest Sub-Division Officer's docket No.149 dated the 27/31 ultimo, therein referred to, reporting the loss of Rs.600/-, Government money, and to state that further report in the matter will be submitted in due course.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Muthanna

Conservator of Forests.

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Copy of docket No.137 dated the 1st September 1905, from the District Forest Officer, Mysore, to the Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

Has the honour to submit herewith, copy of docket No. 149 dated 31-8-05 from the Sub-Division Officer, Heggeddevankoto, and to state that the Sub-Division Officer has been instructed to try his best and find out how the money was lost.



Conservator of Forests.



Docket No.149 dated 27/31 August 1905, from the Sub-Division Forest Officer, Heggaddevankote, to the District Forest Officer, Mysore.

Has the honour to report that Begur Range Forest office Forester, Narasimha Iyengar took an advance of Rs.600/- from the undersigned with instructions to convey to the Range Forest Officer, Begur, for forest works on the 17th instant. He left Heggaddavenkote for Begur on the same day at about 1 P.M., with the newly appointed Forester Venkatasana Rao, both travelling in a cart with the money box and other records.

Money was sent instead of cheque as the Range officer, Begur, requested in D.O. that by sending a cheque it will take time to sign and cash it again at Heggaddavenkote and that if money be sent instead, works progress soon. Narasimha Iyengar took money and gave the receipt but whether he lost it at Heggaddavenkote before starting, or on the way, it is not known.

The bag containing the money was lost anyhow, and the Foresters reached Begur at 10 A.M. on the 18th having stopped at Manchangowdanahally, the previous night. The Range officer, Begur, gave immediate information to the Police and Narasimha Iyengar has been arrested on suspicion. The case is under Police investigation but no clue has yet been found. The Forester pleads innocence.

What the Forester said is not known & 15/9/05

" Copy "

(Sd).C.Appayya,

District Forest Officer, Mysore.

" Copy "



Conservator of Forests.

Alm.

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OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE,

No. 969

Dated Bangalore, 6th August 1906.

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From

RAI BAHADUR M. MUTHANNAH, Esq.,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

To

K.S. Chendrasekhara Iyer

Esqr., B.A., B.L.,

~~The~~ Secy. to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,

General and Revenue Departments,

Bangalore.

SIR,

In continuation of this Office letter No.2214 dated the 9th September 1905, I have the honour to forward herewith for information and orders of Government, copy of Judgment delivered by the Assistant Commissioner and 1st Class Magistrate, Hunsur Division, in Criminal case No.24 of 1905-06, relating to the loss of Rs.600/- Government money, entrusted to Forester Narasimhaiengar, and to state that the Forester has been rightly discharged, as there was no evidence against him to show that he had misappropriated the amount. He was certainly very careless in carrying the money in a box having no lock, and in further leaving the cart in which he was carrying the box in front of the Heggeddevankote Hospital in charge of the 2nd witness Venkataswami Rao and having gone to the bazaar. For this, he has paid due penalty.

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The real culprit seems to be the Forester, who, acting for the Forest Officer, whose name is still to be ascertained with.

2. The Police enquiry, as observed by the Magistrate, has been most perfunctory. They seem to have made no attempt to trace the real culprit, but simply arrested the accused and placed him before the Magistrate.

3. As regards the loss of Rs.600/- sustained by the accused, it is no question that he alone is responsible. The District Forest Officer, Mysore, reports in his docket No.66 dated the 2nd July 1906 (Copy enclosed) that there is only a sum of Rs.108-1-3 at Vankaralingaiah's credit and that he has no other property by which the balance could be recovered. Under article 135 (b) of the Service Regulations, he is eligible for a gratuity of his pay from the 15th August 1902, the date on which he was arrested by the Police. This amount to the 31st July 1903 amounts to Rs.85-11-2. Thus the total amount at his credit is Rs. (108-1-3 + 85-11-2) = 193-12-5 and this will be utilized in part payment of Rs.600/- lost by him, leaving Rs.406-0-7 still to be recovered.

4. The Forester draws only a salary of Rs.15/- which is barely sufficient for his subsistence. In this circumstance, there is no chance of the balance being recovered from him.

5. In conclusion, I beg to refer to the notice of Government, the instructions do by which the procedure in the disposal of this case by the District Magistrate, Police Division. The accused was arrested on the 15th August 1903 by the Police and shortly afterwards placed before the Magistrate, who after a prompt adjournment, only disposed of the case on the 5th March 1906.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,



Conservator of Forests.



In the Court of the Assistant
Commissioner and 1st Class Magistrate
Munsur Division, Mysore.

Present L. Devaraje Urs Esq.
1st Class Magistrate.

Criminal case no. 24 of 1905-06.

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Complainant

Accused

Government ~~vs~~ Narasimha Lingappa

Order.

I - He gga dadeven Kote Taluk Police
submitted charge-sheet complaining that
the accused misappropriated Reboof
and thereby committed an offence punish-
-able under Section 409 I. P. C.

II The following witnesses were
examined for prosecution:- (1) Mr.
Krishna murthi Naider (2) Venkatasamy
Rao (3) Keneha (4) Honna (5) Kautappa
(6) Nanje Gowda (7) Siddanaika (8) Sree
- Kantiah (9) Madasetty (10) Venkata-
-narmappa.

The following exhibits were filed for prosecution:-

Exhibit A. Docket No. 100 dated 17.8.05 to the Range Forest Officer, from the Sub Division Officer, Heggadaveni Hole.

Exhibit B. Statement of Mr. Krishnamurti Naider before the Judge.

Exhibit C. Receipt given by the accused Narasimha Iyengar to the Forest Sub Division Officer, Heggadaveni Hole.

III No charge was framed against the accused as no case was made out against him.

IV Accused pleaded not guilty.

V Accused stated as follows:-

"I have submitted written statement, everything is stated in it."

VI No witnesses were examined for defence.

The following exhibits is filed for defence:-

Exhibit D. Letter written by the 13th witness for prosecution to the accused.

The facts adduced by the prosecution are that on the 4th August 1905 the Range Forest Officer sent a D.O. to the Forest Sub Division Officer, Heggadaveni Hole and a requisition for 100 Rs. advance.

and informed what had happened to the Forest Sub Division Officer. The Police Inspector happened to be there a complaint was lodged before the Inspector. Heq-gaddeven Hole Police Inspector investigated the matter and finally submitted a charge sheet against the accused under Section 409 I. P. C. From the 1st witness's statements made during cross examination and the 10th witness's statements it is clear that Mr. Sreenivasa Rao Forest Sub Division Officer sent for the 2nd witness and told both of them (2nd witness and the accused) that the amount was big and both should carefully take it and deliver to the Range Officer, but 2nd witness on the other hand stated that the Forest Sub Division Officer gave him only instruction and that he (Officer) did not tell him anything, 2nd witness also stated he did not know whether the Forest Sub Division Officer gave money to the accused or not. — All this witness knew was that accused deposited in the cart two boxes and other things. This witness apparently did not know that the accused was

taking

taking money to the Begun Rang Officer. The denial by the 2nd witness of all knowledge of the money given by the Sub Division Officer to the accused in spite of the fact that the Sub Division Officer as alleged by 1st and 10th witnesses told both these witnesses and the accused that the amount being big they should carefully take and deliver to the Rang Officer - throws great suspicion on this witness, 2nd witness was alone in the cart for sometime near the Meghadreen Hole Hospital, - so it is clear in the statements of 3rd witness Dima - 6th and 7th witnesses were present at Dima when the accused and the 2nd witness' cart came to the river side, these witnesses and the cartman carried the things in the cart to the "Tappah" and thus helped the 2nd witness and the accused to go across the river on the "Tappah".

8th witness Barpi Sub Rang Forester took the officer's cart to the river side and in it brought all the things the accused and the 2nd witness had brought with them. This witness was present when the accused exclaimed that the 10th

for the money. — No prompt steps appear to have been taken to discover how the accused dishonestly made use of the money. The conduct of the 2nd witness denying all knowledge of the warning the Sub Division Officer gave him and the accused in respect of the money is very suspicious — There being no sufficient evidence against the accused under Section 409 I. P. C. the accused is discharged under Section 253 C. P. C.

Signed/ G. Devaraj Iro
5.3.06.

The box produced before the Court should be returned by the Police to the Heggadaven Hole Forest Officer.

Signed/ G. Devaraj Iro
5.3.06.

"True Copy"

Askenchiah.

Clk

District Forest Officer

Mysore.

[Signature]

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File No. 71-85.

Serial No. 3

Diary No. of letter replied to 1562Proceedings of the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.GENERAL AND REVENUE
SECRETARIAT.

(Forest)

READ.—

Letter NO. 2214 dated the

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Date of issue

1 / 11 / 1906

Signed by

P. G. D. Souza Esq.9th September 1908, from the con-
servator of forests in Mysore, ~

reporting the loss of Rs. 600/- by

Forester Narasimengar of the
~~ORDER THEREON. — NO.~~
Begur Range Office while hewas travelling from Heggaddevan-
Kote to Begur on the 17th August 1908.2. Letter no. 969 dated the 6thAugust 1906, from the same
over

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P. G. D. Souza
11/10/06
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officers, forwarding copy of
judgment delivered by the Asst.
Commissioner and 1st Class
Magistrate, Humber Division,
in Criminal case no. 24 of 1905 86
against the said Dorset.

Order thereon. No. 1 649-33

The accused Marimizingan
was acquitted by the Magistrate
as ~~for want of~~ evidence against
him. The changes of conveyance,
trials, &c. may have afforded
ample facilities ^{for the} removal of
the bag containing the money
without the knowledge of the accused.

It is to be regretted that owing, just as it is,
to the defective investigation of
the case, it should have been

prosecuted and punished as a
robbery, against whom it was more
sufficient, &c. &c.

3. If the provisions of the
Act had been strictly

The Criminal
proceedings should
have been
initiated -
The Government
of the State
should have
been notified
of the case -

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GENERAL AND REVENUE
SECRETARIAT.

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(Continuation Sheet draft form.)

*Att
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5 #. It is presumed that
the Forester has been reinstated
from the date of his acquittal.

2 Secretary
H. G. G.

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The Conservator of Forests
in Mysore
a Inspector General of Police
a Registrar, Chief Court.
a Comptroller

Diary No. of letter replied to 4523

No. R. 5285 ✓

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To

The Registrar of the
Chief Court

Sir,

Date of issue 23. 11. 1906Signed by P. G. D. Souza Esq.

Referring to Govt.
 Proceedings No. 4479-82
 dated the 7th November 1906
 passing orders in the
 case of the loss of Govt.
 money in the Bejer Range
 of the Keggaddenen Kote
 Range Taluk, I am
 directed to enquire what
 action has been taken
 regarding the delay in
 the disposal of the case
 by the Magistrate
 at Chavara.

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Diary No. of letter replied to 4523

No. R-5287

General and Revenue Secretariat

(Jacob)

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To The Ins^t Gen^l of
Police in Mysore
Sir,

Date of issue 23/11/1906

Signed by P. G. D. Souza Esq.

Referring to Govt.
Proceedings No. 4479-82
dated the 1st Nov 1905
passing orders in the
matter of the loss of
some money in the
Begur Range of the
Heggadwara Photo Subk,
I am directed to enquire
as to what action
has been taken
regarding the conduct
of the Police in investigating
the case.

I have
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J. Leary
17/11/06

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OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS IN MYSORE,

No. 5423

Dated Bangalore, 21 - 1 - 1907.

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File 71-05
Sl. 9.

From

RAI BAHADUR M. MUTHANNAH, Esq.,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

To

K.S. Chendrasekhara Iyer Esqr., B.A., B.L.,
The Secy. to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments,
Bangalore.

SIR,

With reference to your letter No R.5286/Ft.71-05-6 dated the 23rd November 1906, I have the honour to forward herewith, for information, the explanation of Mr H. Srinivasa Rao Assistant Conservator of Forests, in connection with the loss of Rs 600 in question, and to state that the explanation of the Range Officer, Begur, is awaited.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. Muthannah

Conservator of Forests.

[Signature]
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Copy of letter No: 56 dated
the 9th January 1907, from
M. Srinivasa Rao Esquire, Asst^t
Conservator of Forests, to M.
Muttanna Esquire, Conserv-
ator of Forests in Mysore.

With reference to your
Memo No: 4035-6 dated the
29th November last, en-
closing copy of Government
Proceedings No: 4479-82/H.
41-05-3 dated the 1st
November 1906 and calling
for explanation in regard
to loss of Rs 600/- by Fo-
resters (Narasimha Iyengar,
I beg to lay the circumstances

of the case before you for
kind consideration and
orders.

2. The forests comprised
in the Bogue and Kankakee
Ranges of this Sub Division are
the most important timber
forests in the Province. The
four State forests put together
cover an area of 200 square miles
and as per the provisional work-
ing plan $\frac{1}{20}$ th of this area or
10 square miles has to be worked
over by which a very few of the
following operations viz: (1) timber
cutting, enumerating the stock,
marking, felling, concentrating,
planting, weeding & (not to
speak of canting) have to be
carried over in a very

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even if cheques are issued, he has to send them back with Guards or Foresters (when large sums are involved) to the Treasury for cashing. The Range Officer himself cannot come to cash the Cheques every time as he will have to sacrifice 5 or 6 days every month to come from distant camps and frequent objections were taken to his coming to Treasury. To minimise risk care was always taken to pay in Cheques or Cash sums much smaller than what the Range Officer required according to necessity. In the present instance, the Range Officer wrote on the 15th August 1905 to be given not less than Rs 1,000/- in cash as forest works could not be started

without funds; he stated
that every receipt being
processes he wanted cash
payment as soon as will
be delayed if a cheque be
issued as it would take a
few days to cash it. Being
willing to send large sums
in cash I wrote to him that
I could not advance a larger
sum than Rs 600/- seeing that
he did not send his accounts
for the previous month
adjusting the balance against
him and sent him only
Rs 600/- with ^{the} officer
Ganesha Chandra Dey
and I told him that he was taking
receipt only from the former
as he was the only one present

delayed starting on various
 pretexts, halting on the
 way to make purchases &c,
 and he seems to have ^{been} there.
 I am obliged to halt at
 Mauchegondanahalli for
 the night. But I was not
 aware of it till after the
 loss of the amount. Money
 transactions have been carried
 on as above for the last
 15 years, but not a pie was
 lost till now. This is therefore
 a mishap not due to any
 negligence on my part or
 on the part of the Range
 Officer but due entirely to
 the negligence of the Foresters
 who carried it.

3. (As on an average) ~
 Rs 1,600 has to be disbursed

the 11th of March 1900.

1. In no case, I beg
to state that no money was
lost through my negli-
gence as I did everything
that can be possibly expected
of me to safeguard the money,
I may not be made res-
ponsible for the loss. Part
of the amount about Rs 50/-
may be recovered from the
Security Deposit, pay and
letta of the Government
and may be made to pay
the rest by instalments if
it could not be remitted as
everything was done in good
faith. The Police proceedings
were abandoned only against

No. 6443

Dated Bangalore, 25 - 2 - 1907.

Enclosures *one & one = 2*

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From

RAI BAHADUR M. MUTHANNAH, Esq.,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

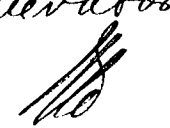
To

*K. S. Chendrasekhara, Esq. B.A., B.L.,
 Secretary to the Govt of M. N. the
 Maharaja of Mysore,
 General & Revenue Departments.*

SIR,

*In continuation of this office No.
 5423 dated the 21st January 1907,
 I have the honour to submit herewith,
 for information, the explanation
 of the Range Officer, Begur, in connection
 with the loss of Rs 600/-
 in question.*

*I have the honour to be,
 Sir,
 Your most obedient servant,*

*M. Muthannah
 Conservator of Forests*


Copy of letter No. 493 dated the 16th February 1907, from G. Krishnamurthi Naidu, Range Forest Officer, Begur, to the Conservator of Forests in Mysore, through the District Forest Officer, Mysore.

With reference to your No. 226 dated 27th November 1906 forwarding copy of Government proceedings regarding the loss in transit, of Rs 600/- on account of which officer Soster Narasimhaengar was prosecuted, I beg permission to state in explanation of para 2 of the proceedings, that Rs 600/- sent for by me was absolutely necessary, since at that time, timber preparation, planting in coupes, dibblings and collection and preparation of dead sandal were going on in all the three sub Ranges. The sum is not very large when monthly average expenditure is taken into consideration. The average expenditure under "Conservancy and works" alone is nearly Rs 1200/- per mensem and establishment charges come to

about \$500 a month. I beg to enclose herewith
the revenue and expenditure statement under
the heading "fire and work" of the Range for the
year 1905-1906 for your kind perusal to show
that my request for \$500 was far below the
average demand of the Range.

I have often drawn amounts much larger
than that under correspondence, but have invariably,
as also in the present case, provided for a proper
excess to ensure the safety of the money on the
way. In these forest localities, it is not possible
to secure, for every item of work that has to be
done, contractors who would do the work and
receive payments either by cheque or in cash
at the end. Such enthusiastic men are
absolutely wanting in these parts. Every forest
work has to be conducted on daily labour
and under supervision. Further, the peculiarity
of the place is that no labourer would work
even a day more than what he is paid for to
begin with an advance. Under these circumstances

Begur Range. 1905-06

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Revenue from all sources.				Expenditure under A and B.			
	Rs	a	p		Rs	a	p
I(a) Timber	50009	2	10	I(a) Timber	2747	10	2
I(d) Sandal (Himmavathi)	1625	"	"	I(d) Sandal	1524	10	5
II(a) Timber	5667	12	3	II Commission	422	6	3
II(b) Firewood	22	8	"	III drift wood	1	4	6
II(c) Bamboos	489	15	3	IV(c) purchase of tools	17	3	"
II(d) Grazing	263	4	"	V(a) Roads	539	6	"
II(e) other M. F. Produce	12	6	"	(b) Buildings	3203	10	"
IV(a) Fines &c	4	"	"	(c) other works	385	14	7
IV(e) other sources	6	2	"	VI(a) Demarcation	247	14	"
				(c) Surveys	1	"	"
				(d) Working plans	18	12	"
				(e) planting	1810	12	2
				(f) Protection from fire	279	5	8
				(g) other works	398	4	11
				VII(b) other charges	20	15	"
Total	58100	24		Total	11,619	"	8

(Signed) G. Krishnamurthy Naidu

Range Forest Officer

Himavathi

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Conservator of Forests

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money in an unlocked box, he travelled in the night, and in fact created opportunity, either for himself or any other person to make away with the money without risk of discovery. He should in my opinion be called upon to make good the amount out of his own pocket.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,



Inspector General of Police.

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Signed by

P. G. D. Young Esq.

Letter no. 3301 dated the 7th
November 1906 from the Conservator
of Forests in Mysore, submitting a
detailed report as called for in Govt.
order no. R 4479-82/7/-05-3 dated
the 1st November 1906 in regard to the

~~ORDER THEREON--No.~~

Theft of Rs. 600/- in the Begur Range
of the Mysore District.

2. Letter no. 3593 dated the
8th January 1907, from the Registrar
of the Chief Court, submitting the
explanation of Mr. C. Devaraj Urs,
who tried the case brought against
over

SUBJECT

Forester Narasimhaiah.

3. Letter, no. 5423 and 6443

dated respectively the 21st January and
25th February 1907, from the Conservator
of Forests in Mysore, submitting
explanations from the Sub Division
Officer of Beggardevanahole and the
Range Officer of Begur in connection
with the loss of money in question.

4. Letter no 7901/842 dated the 5th

May 1907, from the Inspector General
of Police in Mysore, submitting a
copy of report from the Superd of
Police, Mysore District, with regard
to the case instituted against Forester
Narasimhaiah.

order thereon. No. 8 of 1907.

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Govt agree with the Chief Secy
in condemning the explanation of
the Magistrate Mr. C. Durraj Rao,
for protracting the trial for over
six months, as meagre and un-
satisfactory, the more especially,

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because no reasons have been given for some of the adjournments.

2. The explanations offered by the other officers are also not satisfactory. By dispensing with the forest guards, by keeping Govt. money in an unlocked box and by travelling in the night, the Forester undoubtedly contributed to the loss of Govt. money. At the same time this loss could have been minimised or prevented if the Range officer had arranged his incidents for money in such a way as not to render the despatch of such a large sum necessary or if found to be necessary that it was effected with all due precautions. As however this is the first case in which the names of the Range officer Mr. G. Krishna murthy Naidu and the Assistant Conservator Mr. H. Srinivasan Rao have been brought up, the Govt. are pleased to direct that the sum of Rs. 406-4-7 remaining unrecovered out of the Rs. 600 received by the Forester (the difference having been realised out of the security deposit of the Forester and the arrears of pay due to him) be written off the accounts.

3. The case called for detective

ability on the part of the local Police
which however was lacking.

To

Secretary
(8/6/07)

The Conservator of Forest.

Registrar, Chief Court, Pithoragarh.

Inspector of Police.

Magistrate, Pithoragarh.

5 June 07

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